Transmitting, pursuant to law, a message relative to the World Trade Organization waiver required by The Clean Diamond Trade Act; which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM-32) Page S10316

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Bartholomew Chilton, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2013. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Edward M. Avalos, of New Mexico, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Marketing and Regulatory Programs. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Jill Sommers, of Kansas, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2014. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Kenneth Albert Spearman, of Florida, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration for the remainder of the term expiring May 21, 2010. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Kenneth Albert Spearman, of Florida, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration for a term expiring May 21, 2016.

Edward M. Avalos, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Scott D. O'Malia, of Michigan, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the remainder of the term expiring April 13, 2010 vice Walter Lukken, resigned. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Scott D. O'Malia, of Michigan, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2015. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Harris D. Sherman, of Colorado, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Harris D. Sherman, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit

Corporation. (Prior to this action, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration.)

Army nomination in the rank of general.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Neil G. McBride, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2013.

David Huebner, of California, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Samoa.

David Daniel Nelson, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Oriental Republic of Uruguay.

- 2 Army nominations in the rank of general.
- 1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—319)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 9:18 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Friday, October 9, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$10328.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Lieutenant General David M. Rodriguez, USA, for reappointment to the grade of lieutenant general and to be Commander, International Security Assistance Force Joint Command.